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This thesis first analyzes the plays of savages and then of civilized children and compares the two. She selected the plays of five savage tribes and plays and games of children of five cities. On this basis, she compares children's play by periods punctuated by the age of 3, 7, 12, 17 and 23 and compares these periods with those of ascending orders of savage life. Her conclusions point out with a good deal of clearness and discrimination the advantages and the limitations of this comparison and her work ends with an excellent bibliography.

*Men and Missions.* By WILLIAM T. ELLIS. Philadelphia: The Sunday School Times Company. 1909. 313 pp.

For more than a year it was the author's business as a "secular journalist to look into the entire missionary enterprise both as a principle and in practical operation." He examined mission schools, churches hospitals, evangelistic work, often going out into raw heathenism, paying his own expenses and holding no brief. Under these conditions his faith in missions and in the men of the home churches "has grown stouter with every day of full thought and knowledge," and so he tells his story in twenty chapters.

*The Awakening of India.* By J. RAMSAY MACDONALD. London: Hodder & Stoughton. 1910. 311 pp.

This work is really divided into two parts. The first is impressions of a more or less personal character, *e.g.*, at Simla, Lahore, Binares, etc., and the other embodies the author's conclusions. He looks forward to a time when the superficial differences of language and creed there may vanish and a united India may emerge, one geographically, ethnologically, politically, religiously. This India is a vision of the faithful Hindu as heaven is of the Christian saint.